



Clarborough Primary School
Building success together!

Quad Kids Athletics:

On Tuesday the 9th of May 2017 Clarborough took part in Quad Kids Athletics at Retford Oaks secondary school. The team included Jessica O, Scarlett J, Molly W, George O, Isaac M and Harry T from Y5 and Lucy R, Lauren K, William P and Evan Q-B from Y4.

We all had to do four events including a howler throw, a standing long jump, a 600m run and a 75m sprint. After demonstrating great team spirit and some fantastic individual performances we finished in first place out of eight schools.

As a result of winning we go through to represent Bassetlaw in the Nottinghamshire finals at Nottingham high school in early July.

Results:

Clarborough	1,268	1
Sparken Hill	1,146	2
Ranby	1,124	3
Prospect	1,105	4
Priory	1,001	5
St Peters	991	6
Leverton	827	7
Harworth	576	8

Written by Molly Womack (Y5)

School Meals:

May I remind parents that the cost of school meals, for those that pay, is now £2.30 and not £2.22. Many thanks.

Ice cream pick 'n' mix dinner

Just a reminder that next Thursday (18th) it is the ice cream pick 'n' mix dinner. The children will be able to choose their own toppings to go on their ice cream. If your child is in Year 3 to 6 and wish to have a school meal on this day, please ensure you order and pay on Monday. Children in Reception to Year 2 can order on the day.

Water bottles

Please ensure that your child has a water bottle at school so they can stay hydrated throughout the day, especially now the weather is starting to warm up.

Your suggestions:

Thank you to those people who have made suggestions and comments so far, we appreciate your thoughts. We ask that if you feel able to, you leave your name so that we can acknowledge your comments personally. Any suggestions received will be discussed at the Senior Leadership Team meeting each week.

You can email any suggestions or feedback that you have to: chatterbox@clarborough.notts.sch.uk or drop your suggestion in to the Chatterbox which is on the windowsill in the playground corridor. Let us know what you think we do well and what we could do better!



"It is very encouraging to see the increase in sporting activities which Clarborough School are participating in."



"It's fantastic that the children now watch Newsround – it helps to make them aware of the world around them"

Out of school achievements:

If your child achieves success out of school in a sporting event or other activity and you wish to include it in a future newsletter then please let me know and I will be happy to include it. Either pop into the office to see me in an afternoon or email me the details at lgoad@clarborough.notts.sch.uk.

On Sunday 7th May, Madeleine W in Class 5 participated in a Junior Judo Competition at Gainsborough Leisure Centre. She competed in the 10-12 year category and was awarded a Bronze Medal. Well done Madeleine!



On Saturday 6th May, George O in Class 5 competed in the final of four galas in the Grantham Grand Prix 2017. On the night, George was fastest in his age group for 50m Freestyle and 200m IM and second fastest for 50m Breast Stroke. Points were accumulated over all four galas and George was awarded the First Place trophy for most points in the 10 year-old boy category. Great job George!

Well done to Charlie A in Class 2 for being awarded Man of the Match last Friday for the three goals he scored in his teams 4-0 win! Charlie trains at Retford United Oakland's Playing Fields on Fridays from 5 - 6.30pm.



A few more
photos from the
week...



This week, Year 6 have done their SATs tests in reading, grammar, punctuation and spelling and mathematics. They have worked so hard and took the opportunity to show what they have learnt this year in a positive and confident way. I am really proud of all of them for their excellent attitude and the whole school is too!!! Well done year 6!
Mrs Cowell-Clark.



Enjoying breakfast together before the tests

Yoga to calm the nerves and channel the energy!



Preparations for the scarecrow festival are in full swing – can you guess what it is yet?



Parent Governor Vacancy – don't miss out!

The closing date for applications is 10am on Monday. So if you feel you can make a positive contribution to the development of the school and the education of our children, then please spend a little time over the weekend to put your application together.

Parent governors are not on the Governing Body to represent the interests of parents but, like all other governors, they have a joint responsibility for ensuring that they provide confident, strategic leadership and to create robust accountability, oversight and assurance for the educational and financial performance of the school.

But what does this look like once you're in post?

There are normally two set-piece meetings each term: the Full Governing Body (FGB) meeting and the Pupils, Strategy and Resources (PSR) meeting. The FGB is professionally clerked by Sally Andrews who serves as the Clerk to a number of Governing Bodies within the County. She not only takes the notes of our meeting but provides the expertise in the regulations and legislation relevant to school governance. Within these meetings Governors will, in discussion with the Head teacher and Senior Leadership Team, make decisions on the strategic direction of the School, the development of the School Improvement Plan and how the budget is deployed to create a safe, caring environment to enable our children to maximise their potential.

There are many other opportunities throughout the school year for Governors to fulfil their role by coming into school and meeting with teachers and pupils to see how the many policies of the school are being implemented. Recent visits into school have included: Health & Safety walks; review Attendance Policy; Special Education Needs provision; Collective Worship; Behaviour and Bullying policies. Governors can also support the school by helping out as readers at the Key Stage 2 SAT tests, taking part in trips and attendance at other events.

It does take a little time to get into the role but you will find other Governors helpful in cutting through the jargon. From a personal viewpoint when I first started as a parent governor I found the role challenging but it has been one of the most rewarding things I have taken on and it is a real privilege to play a small part in supporting our wonderful staff and children.

Julian White, Chair of Governors

School dates for your diaries:

I will write 'NEW' next to any dates that I add each week so that you do not have to re-read all of the dates every week.

May

- 15th Key Stage 1 (Year 2) SATs this week
- 16th Year 3 Orienteering
Girls Football V Ordsall at home
- 18th Ice cream pick'n'mix dinner
Boys Football V Ordsall away
- 22nd No swimming
- 22nd Boys Football V Thrumpton home
- 25th Year 4 trip to Gainsborough Old Hall
Chess match V Ranby Prep at home **NEW**
- 29th Half term week

June

- 5th Swimming resumes
- 7th Rounders Competition at Kelham Hall
- 20th Year 5 visit to Retford Oaks Academy
- 21st Year 5 Family Olympics at Retford Oaks Academy
Open meeting for all parents at 6pm (Parent Forum)
- 22nd Queen Elizabeth's High School open evening
- 23rd Queen Elizabeth's High School open morning
KS1 Kings & Queens Assembly
- 29th School Class Photos
- 30th Year 6 sports event at Retford Oaks Academy

July

- 1st Clarborough Summer Fayre (11 – 3 pm more info to follow)
- 1st 11+ practice paper at Queen Elizabeth's High School for Year 5's who have previously registered with the High School
- 4th Year 6 transition week for secondary school places
- 5th Year 1 & 2 multi-sports event at Clarborough
- 21st Last day of the summer term
Year 6 leaver's assembly at 2pm

Local community dates for your diaries:

- 14th May Idle Valley Fun Walk from 10am to 3pm (free)
- 21st May Clarborough and Welham village festival from 10am (free)
- 21st May Scarecrow Competition (poster in playground noticeboard)